## U .S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE CRIMINAL DIVISION

## RESIDENT LEGAL ADVISOR IN SKOPJE, MACEDONIA

About the Office: The mission of the Criminal Division's Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) is to develop and administer technical and developmental assistance designed to enhance the capabilities of foreign justice sector institutions and their law enforcement personnel, so they can cooperate more fully with the Department of Justice in combating terrorism, trafficking in persons, organized crime, gang violence, corruption, and financial crimes.

## Responsibilities and

Opportunity Offered: The Office seeks an experienced Assistant United States Attorney or Department of Justice Trial Attorney to serve as the Resident Legal Advisor (RLA) for Macedonia. This assignment is for a term of one year, with the possibility of an extension for a second year, contingent on available funding. (This is a reimbursable detail.) The RLA represents the Department of Justice and OPDAT in the implementation of an OPDAT justice sector assistance program. During his or her tenure, the RLA will provide assistance regarding legislative reform of the Crimes code, the Code of Criminal Procedure and amendments to the Constitution; advise the Ministry of Justice, the soon to be formed Judicial Council and the Prosecutors' Council; manage skills development assistance for prosecutors concerning the investigation and prosecution of cases involving organized crime, trafficking in persons, terrorism, and money laundering; and provide technical assistance regarding asset forfeitures.

Qualifications: Required qualifications: Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia. Applicants must be a current Department Trial Attorney or Assistant United States Attorney and have at least four or five years of post J.D. experience to be qualified at the GS-14 or 15 level.

**Preferred qualifications:** Applicants must have the ability to function effectively in an international, multi-cultural environment and possess excellent interpersonal and management skills, be mature and self-sufficient, communicate effectively orally and in writing, and possess extensive prosecution experience. Specific comparative experience with criminal justice systems in Central and Eastern Europe or general comparative experience with continental criminal legal systems is desired. Proficiency in Macedonian is desired, but is not required.

**Travel**: Periodic travel will be required.

<u>Salary Information</u>: Current salary and years of experience determine the appropriate salary level. (See OPM's Web page at <a href="https://www.opm.gov/oca/payrates/index.htm">www.opm.gov/oca/payrates/index.htm</a>)

**Location**: The RLA will be stationed in Skopje, Macedonia beginning in April 2007.

**Relocation Expenses**: Relocation expenses are authorized.

## **Submission Process**

**and Deadline Date**: To apply for this position, applicants submit a resume and cover letter (highlighting relevant skills and experience) to:

U.S. Department of Justice Criminal Division Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) 10<sup>th</sup> and Pennsylvania Aves., NW

Washington, DC 20530

Attn: Ms. Sara Jurdi, Program Analyst

Applications may also be submitted by fax or email. Ms. Jurdi's fax number is (202) 616-6770. E-mailed submissions are also acceptable. Ms. Jurdi's email address is sara.jurdi@usdoj.gov

This position is open until filled.